

Apr 9, 1865

When Lee became convinced that further resistance was useless he said
"Then there is nothing left me but to
go and see General Grant and I
would die a thousand deaths."

The 2 Generals met at McLean's house
in the little village of Appomattox
Court House.

Grant was magnanimous, Lee heroic

in his adversity, generous terms were offered and the paper signed that ended the war.

The Confederates badly needed food. Donot supplied them with rations.

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(1807-1870) Robert Edward Lee

One of greatest of American Generals, Commander-in-chief of Confederate Army, having refused President Lincoln's offer of command of the Army of the U.S. Born at STRATFORD, Va. Graduated from West Point (1829)

Served in Mexican War, attaining the rank of Colonel. Supt. of West Point (1852-1855)

Commanded U. S. troops which overcame and captured John Brown at Harper's

FERRY, Va. (1859)

Lee's surrender to Gen. Grant at APPOMATTOX Court House (APR 9, 1865) virtually ended the War.

Soon after (Aug. 24, 1865) he accepted the presidency of Washington College at HANOVER, Va. holding this position till his death, after which the institution was renamed Washington & Lee University. (son of Henry Lee (Light Horse..))

[In my life time Congress restored his citizenship.]

other divisions of Federals arrived
and renewed the attack,
capturing between 5,000 and 7,000
prisoners; 16 pieces of artillery, and
400 wagons.

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FARMVILLE

From Richmond, Va. Lee and his Army retreated west toward Farmville. On Apr 7 they were met at that town by a force of Federals under Gen. Theodore READ. And after a sharp skirmish, the latter was repulsed and Lee crossed to APPOMATTOX. At that time